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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Inventor: David Guetig Serial No: 10/563,484 I.A. Filed: June 29, 2004 Examiner: Unknown
Group Art Unit: Unknown
Confirmation No: 1037

For: METHOD FOR THE DETECTION OF CYTOSINE METHYLATIONS IN DNA BY MEANS

OF CYTIDINE DEAMINASES

Mail Stop Petition Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith for the above-identified patent application are the following:

A Petition to Accord a Filing Date under 37 CFR 1.10(c)

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3. <u>✓</u> Applicant is a small entity.

Date: August 1, 2006

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PETITION TO ACCORD A FILING DATE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.10(c)

As can be seen by the enclosed copy of a stamped return postcard, the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office has apparently accorded various national entry papers filed in connection with the subject application a filing date of January 5, 2006.

Applicant respectfully submits that the filing date accorded to these national entry papers is in error and that these papers should have been accorded a filing date of January 3, 2006. This is because the undersigned filed these papers by "Express Mail" pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.10(c) on January 3, 2006. Evidence of the undersigned's Express Mail filing of the subject application on January 3, 2006, includes the following enclosed items: (1) a copy of the Certificate of Mailing by

"Express Mail" filed with these papers on January 3, 2006, and showing the "Express Mail" number shown on the "Express Mail" label; (2) a copy of the "Express Mail" label showing a "date-in" of January 3, 2006 by the U.S. Postal Service; and (3) a print-out from the U.S. Postal Service of the tracking history for the subject "Express Mail" number.

Accordingly, Applicant hereby petitions the Commissioner to accord this submission a filing date of January 3, 2006, and respectfully requests that the Commissioner advise the undersigned that the filing date has been corrected by mailing a suitable confirmatory letter.

The undersigned respectfully requests that if, this Petition is lacking in any respect, that the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office contact the undersigned (by collect call, if necessary) so that whatever action is necessary can be taken.

Prompt and favorable action is earnestly solicited.

If there are any fees due in connection with the filing of this paper that are not accounted for, the Examiner is authorized to charge the fees to our Deposit Account No. 11-1755. If a fee is

required for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 that is not accounted for already, such an extension of time is requested and the fee should also be charged to our Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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A Transmittal Letter; a copy of PCT/EP2004/007052; an unexecuted Declaration; a Preliminary Amendment; an Information Disclosure Statement; PTO/SB/08A (1 sheet); PTO/SB/08B (1 sheet); copies of 5 documents; a copy of International Search Report; a copy of Written Opinion; a check for \$900

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE U.S. DESIGNATED OFFICE (DO/US)-ENTRY INTO THE U.S. NATIONAL STAGE UNDER CHAPTER I

PCT/EP2004/007052

29 JUNE 2004

04 JULY 2003

INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO.

INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE

PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED

METHOD FOR THE DETECTION OF CYTOSINE METHYLATIONS IN DNA TITLE OF INVENTION

BY MEANS OF CYTIDINE DEAMINASES

/APPLICANTIES/

INVENTOR: DAVID GUETIG

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(Transmittal Letter to the United States Designated Office (DO/US)-Entry into National Stage under 35 U.S.C. § 371 [13-6]—page 1 of 12)

- NOTE: The time period for commencement of the national stage in the U.S. does not depend upon whether a Demand under PCT Article 31 has been filed. It is no longer necessary to provide separately for the time period for filing the documents and fees required by 35 U.S.C. 371(c) for an: (1) application in which a Demand under Article 31 has not been filed within nineteen months form the priority date and (2) applications in which a Demand under Article 31 has been filed within nineteen months from the priority date.
- NOTE: The completion of those filing requirements that can be made at a time later than 30 months from the priority date results from the Commissioner exercising his judgment under the authority granted under 35 U.S.C. § 371(d). The filing receipt will show the actual date of receipt of the last item completing the entry into the national phase. See 37 C.F.R. § 1.491(b), which states: "An international application enters the national stage when the applicant has filed the documents and fees required by 35 USC 371(c) within the periods set forth in § 1.495."
- WARNING: Where the items are those that can be submitted to complete the entry of the international application into the national phase, the application is still considered to be in the international stage.

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 § 1.10 must be used (because international application papers are not covered by an ordinary certificate of mailing. 37 C.F.R. § 1.8(2)(xi)).
- WARNING: Documents and fees must be clearly identified as a submission to enter the national stage under 35 U.S.C. § 371, otherwise the submission will be considered as being made under 35 U.S.C. § 111. 37 C.F.R. § 1.494(g).
- WARNING: Abandonment is governed by 37 C.F.R. § 1.495 as follows:

37 C.F.R. § 1.495

(h) An international application becomes abandoned as to the United States thirty months from the priority date if the requirements of paragraph (b) of this section have not been complied with within thirty months form the priority date. If the requirements of paragraph (b) of this section are complied with within thirty months from the priority date but either of any required translation of the international application as filed or the oath or declaration are not timely filed, an international application will become abandoned as to the United States upon expiration of the time period pursuant to paragraph (c) of this section.

37 C.F.R. § 1.495

- (b) To avoid abandonment of the application, the applicant shall furnish to the United States Patent and Trademark Office not later than the expiration of thirty months from the priority date:
- A copy of the international application, unless it has been previously communicated by the International Bureau or unless it was originally filed in the United States Patent and Trademark Office; and
 - (2) The basic national fee (see § 1.492(a)).
- 1. Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated Office (DO/US) the following items under 35 U.S.C. § 371:
 - a. This express request to immediately begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. § 371(f)).
 - b. The U.S. Basic National Fee (35 U.S.C. § 371(a)) and
 - other fees (37 C.F.R. § 1.492), as indicated below:

WARNING: This submission must also include items 3, and should also include items 4 and 7 shown below.

35 U.S.C. 371 National stage: Commencement.

- (b) Subject to subsection (f) of this section, the national stage shall commence with the expiration of the applicable time limit under article 22 (1) or (2), or under article 39 (1)(a) of the treaty.
 - (c) The applicant shall file in the Patent and Trademark Office -
 - (1) the national fee provided in section 41(a) of this title;
- (2) a copy of the international application, unless not required under subsection (a) of this section or already communicated by the International Bureau, and a translation into the English language of the international application, if it was filed in another language;
- (3) amendments, if any, to the claims in the international application, made under article 19 of the treaty, unless such amendments have been communicated to the Patent and Trademark Office by the International Bureau, and a translation into the English language if such amendments were made in another language;
- (4) an oath or declaration of the inventor (or other person authorized under chapter 11 of this title) complying with the requirements of section 115 of this title and with regulations prescribed for oaths or declarations of applicants;
- (5) a translation into the English language of any annexes to the international preliminary examination report, if such annexes were made in another language.
- (d) The requirement with respect to the national fee referred to in subsection (c)(1), the translation referred to in subsection (c)(2), and the oath or declaration referred to in subsection (c)(4) of this section shall be complied with by the date of the commencement of the national stage or by such later time as may be fixed by the Director. The copy of the international application referred to in subsection (c)(2) shall be submitted by the date of the commencement of the national stage. Failure to comply with these requirements shall be regarded as abandonment of the application by the parties thereof, unless it be shown to the satisfaction of the Director that such failure to comply was unavoidable. The payment of a surcharge may be required as a condition of accepting the national fee referred to in subsection (c)(1) or the oath or declaration referred to in subsection (c)(4) of this section if these requirements are not met by the date of the commencement of the national stage. The requirements of subsection (c)(3) of this section shall be complied with by the date of the commencement of the national stage, and failure to do so shall be regarded as a cancellation of the amendments to the claims in the international application made under article 19 of the treaty. The requirement of subsection (c)(5) shall be complied with at such time as may be fixed by the Director and failure to do so shall be regarded as cancellation of the amendments made under article 34 (2)(b) of the treaty.
- (f) At the express request of the applicant, the national stage of processing may be commenced at any time at which the application is in order for such purpose and the applicable requirements of subsection (c) of this section have been complied with.
- § 1.495 Entering the national stage in the United States of America.
- (a) The applicant in an international application must fulfill the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 371 within the time periods set forth in paragraphs (b) and (c) of this section in order to prevent the abandonment of the international application as to the United States of America. The thirty month time period set forth in paragraphs (b), (c), (d), (e) and (h) of this section may not be extended. International applications for which those requirements are timely fulfilled will enter the national stage and obtain an examination as to the patentability of the invention in the United States of America.
- (b) To avoid abandonment of the application, the applicant shall furnish to the United States Patent and Trademark Office not later than the expiration of thirty months from the priority date:
 - (1) A copy of the international application, unless it has been previously communicated by the International Bureau or unless it was originally filed in the United States Patent and Trademark Office; and

- (2) The basic national fee (see § 1.492(a)).
- (c)(1) If applicant complies with paragraph (b) of this section before expiration of thirty months from the priority date, the Office will notify the applicant if he or she has omitted any of:
- (i) A translation of the international application, as filed, into the English language, if it was originally filed in another language (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2));
- (ii) The oath or declaration of the inventor (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4) and '1.497), if a declaration of inventorship in compliance with § 1.497 has not been previously submitted in the international application under PCT Rule 4.17(iv) within the time limits provided for in PCT Rule 26ter.1;
 - (iii) The search fee set forth in § 1.492(b);
 - (iv) The examination fee set forth in § 1.492(c); and
 - (v) Any application size fee required by § 1.492(j).
- (2) A notice under paragraph (c)(1) of this section will set a period of time within which applicant must provide any omitted translation, oath or declaration of the inventor, search fee set forth in § 1.492(b), examination fee set forth in ' 1.492(c), and any application size fee required by § 1.492(j) in order to avoid abandonment of the application.
- (3) The payment of the processing fee set forth in § 1.492(i) is required for acceptance of an English translation later than the expiration of thirty months after the priority date. The payment of the surcharge set forth in § 1.492(h) is required for acceptance of the oath or declaration of the inventor later than the expiration of thirty months after the priority date.

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(Transmittal Letter to the United States Designated Office (DO/US)—Entry into National Stage under 35 U.S.C. § 371 [13-6]—page 5 of 12)

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	Subtotal	900
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	Fee for recording the enclosed assignment document \$40.00 (37 CFR 1.21(h)). (See Item 10 below). See attached "ASSIGNMENT COVER SHEET (37 C.F.R. § 3.34)".	
TOTAL	Total Fees enclosed	\$ 900

^{*}See attached Preliminary Amendment Reducing the Number of Claims.

**WARNING: "To avoid abandonment of the application, the applicant shall furnish to the United States Patent and Trademark Office not later than the expiration of thirty months from the priority date: * * * (2) the basic national fee (see § 1.492(a))." 37 C.F.R. § 1.495(b).

- Assertion of Small Entity Status
- Applicant hereby asserts status as a small entity under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27.
 - □ Written Assertion Statement Attached
 - Fee Payment(s) herewith

NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.27(c) deals with the assertion of small entity status, whether by a written specific declaration thereof or by payment as a small entity of the basic filing fee or the fee for the entry into the national phase as states:

- "(c) Assertion of small entity status. Any party (person, small business concern or nonprofit organization) should make a determination, pursuant to paragraph (f) of this section, of entitlement to be accorded small entity status based on the definitions set forth in paragraph (a) of this section, and must, in order to establish small entity status for the purpose of paying small entity fees, actually make an assertion of entitlement to small entity status, in the manner set forth in paragraphs (c)(1) or (c)(3) of this section, in the application or patent in which such small entity fees are to be paid.
 - (1) Assertion by writing. Small entity status may be established by a written assertion of entitlement to small entity status. A written assertion must:
 - (i) Be clearly identifiable;
 - (ii) Be signed (see paragraph (c)(2) of this section); and
 - (iii) Convey the concept of entitlement to small entity status, such as by stating that applicant is a small entity, or that small entity status is entitled to be asserted for the application or patent. While no specific words or wording are required to assert small entity status, the intent to assert small entity status must be clearly indicated in order to comply with the assertion requirement.
 - (2) Parties who can sign and file the written assertion. The written assertion can be signed by:
 - (i) One of the parties identified in §§ 1.33(b) (e.g., an attorney or agent registered with the Office), §§ 3.73(b) of this chapter notwithstanding, who can also file the written assertion;
 - (ii) At least one of the individuals identified as an inventor (even though a §§ 1.63 executed oath or declaration has not been submitted), notwithstanding §§ 1.33(b)(4), who can also file the written assertion pursuant to the exception under §§ 1.33(b) of this part; or
 - (iii) An assignee of an undivided part interest, notwithstanding §§ 1.33(b)(3) and 3.73(b) of this chapter, but the partial assignee cannot file the assertion without resort to a party identified under §§ 1.33(b) of this part.
 - (3) Assertion by payment of the small entity basic filing or basic national fee. The payment, by any party, of the exact amount of one of the small entity basic filing fees set forth in §§ 1.16(a), (f), (g), (h), or (k), or one of the small entity basic national fees set forth in §§ 1.492(a)(1), (a)(2), (a)(3), (a)(4), or (a)(5), will be treated as a written assertion of entitlement to small entity status even if the type of basic filing or basic national fee is inadvertently selected in error.

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(i) If the Office accords small entity status based on payment of a small entity basic filing or basic national fee under paragraph (c)(3) of this section that is not applicable to that application, any balance of the small entity fee that is applicable to that application will be due along with the

appropriate surcharge set forth in §§ 1.16(e), or §§ 1.16(f).

- NOTE: According to § 1.495(c)(1), if applicant complies with § 1.495(b) (i.e., supplies a copy of the international application and pays the basic national fee before expiration of thirty months from the priority date), the Office will notify the applicant if he or she has omitted a translation of the international application, as filed, into the English language, if it was originally filed in another language (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2) and § 1.495(c)(1)(i)), setting a period of time within which applicant must provide any omitted translation. According to § 1.495(c)(3) a payment of the processing fee set forth in § 1.492(i) is required for acceptance of an English translation later than the expiration of thirty months after the priority date. A 'Sequence Listing' need not be translated if the 'Sequence Listing' complies with PCT Rule 12.1(d) and the description complies with PCT Rule 5.2(b); § 1.495(c)(4)."
- 5. Amendments to the claims of the International application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. § 371(c)(3)):
- NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.495(d): "A copy of any amendments to the claims made under PCT Article 19, and a translation of those amendments into English, if they were made in another language, must be furnished not later than the expiration of thirty months from the priority date. Amendments under PCT Article 19 which are not received by the expiration of thirty months from the priority date will be considered to be canceled."
- NOTE: The Notice of January 7, 1993, dealing with the prior practice, indicated that 37 C.F.R. § 1.494(d) [now deleted] was "amended to clarify the existing practice that PCT Article 19 Amendments must be submitted by 20 months from the priority date, which time may not be extended." This Notice further advises: "Of course, the failure to do so does not result in loss of the subject matter of PCT Article 19 amendments. The applicant may submit that subject matter in a preliminary amendment filed under Section 1.121. In many cases, filing an amendment under Section 1.121 is preferable since grammatical or idiomatic errors may be corrected." 1147 O.G. 29-40, at 35. See item 11(c) below.

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		lation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 .C. § 371(c)(3)):
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c.	X	has not been transmitted for reasons indicated at point 5(c) above.
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NOTE: According to § 1.495(c)(1), if applicant complies with § 1.495(b) (i.e., supplies a copy of the international application and pays the basic national fee before expiration of thirty months from the priority date) the Office will notify the applicant if he or she has omitted, as required by § 1.495(c)(ii), the oath or declaration of the inventor (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4) and § 1.497), if a declaration of inventorship in compliance with § 1.497 has not been previously submitted in the international application under PCT Rule 4.17(iv) within the time limits provided for in PCT Rule 26ter.1. According to § 1.495(c)(3) a payment of the processing fee set forth in § 1.492(h) is required for acceptance of the oath or declaration of the inventor later than the expiration of thirty months after the priority date.

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"This practice applies only to documents cited in the international search report relative to a national stage application filed under 35 U.S.C. 371. It does not apply to documents cited in an international preliminary examination report that are not cited in the search report. It does not apply to applications filed under 35 U.S.C. 111(a) claiming the benefit of an international application filing date."

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a. before the 18th month publication.
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37 C.F.R. § 1.16(s) (additional fee for specification and drawings filed in paper of 100 sheets)
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37 C.F.R. § 1.18 (issue fee at or before mailing of Notice of Allowance, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.311(b)).

NOTE: Section 1.311(b) provides that an authorization to charge the issue fee (§ 1.18) to a deposit account may be filed in an individual application only after the mailing of the notice of allowance. Accordingly, general authorizations to pay fees and specific authorizations to pay the issue fee that are filed prior to the mailing of a notice of allowance will generally not be treated as requesting payment of the issue fee and will not be given effect to act as a reply to the notice of allowance. Applicant, when paying the issue fee, should submit a new authorization to charge fees, such as by completing box 6b on the current PTOL-85B form. Where no reply to the notice of allowance is received, the application will stand abandoned notwithstanding the presence of general authorizations to pay fees or a specific authorization to pay the issue fee that were submitted prior to mailing of the notice of allowance. Where an attempt is made to pay the issue fee but an incorrect amount is submitted, § 1.311(b)(1), or where the Office's issue fee transmittal form (currently PTOL-85(B)) is completed by applicant and submitted, § 1.311(b)(2), in reply to a notice of allowance, an exception will be made. Such submissions will operate as a request to charge the issue fee to any deposit account identified in a previously filed (i.e., submitted prior to the mailing of the notice of allowance) authorization to charge fees, and will be allowed to act as payment of the correct issue fee. § 1.311(b). See also the change to § 1.26(b). Notice of September 8, 2000, Fed. Reg. 54603-54683, at 54646 and 54647.

NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.28(b) requires "Notification of any change in status resulting in loss of entitlement to small entity status must be filed in the application . . . prior to paying or at the time of paying . . . issue fee. . .." From the wording of 37 C.F.R. § 1.28(b): (a) notification of change of status must be made even if the fee is paid as "other than a small entity" and (b) no notification is required if the change is to another small entity.

☐ 37 C.F.R. § 1.492(h) and (i) (surcharge fees for filing the declaration and/or filing an English translation of an International Application later than 20 months after the priority date.

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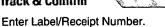
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